

Families First in Numbers
Updated Information from June 2006

Current number of Assistance Groups: 68,151

Current number of adults: 51,879

Current number of children: 129,823

Assistance Groups prior to Families First (August 1996): 91,499

Current number of child only cases: 17,744

Closures in June

Total closures: 5,179

Closures for 18 month time limits: 219

Closures for sanctions: 1,167

Work-related sanctions: 1,119

Other sanctions: 48

Closures for employment: 1,052

Time limit closures since Families First started: 13,776

Current number of Assistance Groups with a working adult: 11,604

Average monthly wage of employed participants: \$706.52

Average monthly cash benefit for participating families: \$168.04

Re-entry rate of Families First participants: 32.8% of cases that close re-enter the program (after an absence of more than two months) at some point during the next 55 months.

The number of families served by the program between 1996 and now exceeds 250,000.